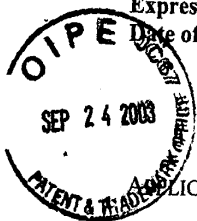


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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION UNDER 37 CFR § 1.114

This is a request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR § 1.114 of the above-identified application. Enclosed herein are the following:

1. Amendment and Response to March 24, 2003 final Office Action and September 9, 2003 Advisory Action (5 pages);
2. Three Month Extension of Time (1 page);
3. Check No. 17205 in the amount of \$475.00 for a three month extension of time;
4. Check No. 17206 in the amount of \$385.00 under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) for filing an RCE; and
5. Return Postcard.

Pursuant to 35 USC § 1.114, Applicants herein request continued examination of Application No. 09/766,863. Included with this request are the required elements of 1) a request; 2) a submission; and 3) a fee. The submission provided herein is a response to the final Office Action mailed March 24, 2003, and the Advisory Action mailed on September 9, 2003 with a three month extension of time and appropriate fee. With such a timely filed request, submission, and fee, Applicants believe that the amendments should be entered and considered.

Please charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 15966-641 (Cura-141).

Respectfully submitted,

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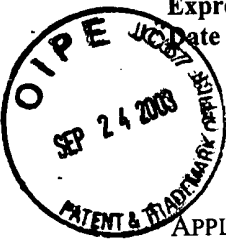
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**RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT**

In response to the final Office Action mailed March 24, 2003, and the Advisory Action mailed September 9, 2003. Applicants submit herewith in the above mentioned patent application a Request for Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and the required fee. Also filed herewith is a Petition for a Three Month Extension of time and a check for \$475.00 to cover the small entity fee pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(3). With the extension, these documents are due on or before September 24, 2003. Please charge any payments or credit any overpayments of the same to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, reference 15966-641.

**Amendments to the Claims** are shown in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** start on page 5 of this paper.